# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 22 Feb 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 23 Feb 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 22 Feb 2021 at 03:58 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for drier, brighter conditions Monday and for becoming wet and windy into Tuesday. Lower confidence for details Wednesday, but higher confidence for a better day Thursday and Friday.

**Headline for Monday 22 Feb 2021:** A mostly dry and bright day with sunny spells and mild on lower slopes, but the chance of the odd light shower, these wintry at height where colder and windier.

**Mountain weather hazards on Monday 22 Feb 2021**

**Blizzards**
No Likelihood

**Heavy Snow**
No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**
No Likelihood

**Gales**
Low Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**
High Likelihood

**Poor visibility**
No Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**
No Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**
Low Likelihood

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | |
| 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | |
| Sunny intervals | Sunny | Sunny intervals | Sunny intervals | Cloudy | Cloudy |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | |
| 10% | 10% | 10% | 10% | <05% | 00% |

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**Weather:** Any low cloud will soon lift and disperse in morning then a mostly dry and bright day with sunny spells, but perhaps still the odd wintry shower at height, though most likely over Glencoe and Lochaber. Clear spells in evening though high cloud will increase and winds will strengthen.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 90% or more.

**Visibility:** Perhaps patchy cloud at first in morning between 400 and 600m, otherwise cloud above the tops with good visibility at all levels.

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**Forecast for Monday 22 Feb 2021**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | 28/33 S | 31/38 S | 32/41 SW | 32/41 SW | 32/41 S | 34/43 S | 45/58 S |
| **900** | 16/22 S | 19/26 S | 23/30 SW | 24/32 SW | 23/32 S | 25/34 S | 31/43 S |
| **600** | 23/28 S | 27/32 S | 26/34 SW | 27/36 SW | 29/37 S | 32/40 S | 40/52 S |
| **300** | 13/20 S | 15/24 S | 16/25 SW | 16/25 SW | 14/24 S | 16/25 SE | 22/36 S |
| **Glen** | 7/16 S | 7/18 SW | 14/26 SW | 14/26 SW | 9/20 S | 10/24 S | 15/32 S |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **1300** | -3/-12 | -3/-12 | -3/-12 | -3/-12 | -3/-12 | -3/-12 | -3/-14 |
| **900** | -1/-7 | -1/-8 | 0/-6 | 1/-6 | 0/-7 | -1/-8 | -0/-8 |
| **600** | 3/-3 | 3/-4 | 3/-3 | 3/-3 | 3/-3 | 3/-3 | 3/-5 |
| **300** | 5/1 | 5/0 | 6/1 | 6/2 | 5/1 | 4/0 | 5/-1 |
| **Glen** | 6/4 | 6/4 | 8/4 | 8/5 | 7/4 | 6/3 | 7/3 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 700m | 700m | 800m | 900m | 900m | 900m | 900m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**
Quite mild and pleasant on lower slopes, especially in the sunshine, but windier and colder at height with a significant chill. Some glare off lying snow at higher levels.

**Forecast for Tuesday 23 Feb 2021**
**Weather:** Cloud thickening overnight to bring outbreaks of heavy rain, this falling as snow on the summits at first. Rain becoming persistent by morning, with possibly some very heavy rain bringing the risk of flooding to most parts. Perhaps a drier spell late morning and into the afternoon, with lighter and patchier rain, but further heavy and prolonged rain pushing up from the south by dusk. Very windy and wet at times leading to extremely difficult conditions.

**Maximum wind:** Southerly, turning southwest for a time, perhaps only 25-35 gust 45mph at low levels, but 45-65mph, with gusts 85 mph at height bringing mobility issues and risk of being blown over.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** Generally little chance

**Visibility:** Generally poor or very poor at height with areas of cloud above 500-600m, but broken 800m at times over more northern ranges. Also poor at times beneath cloud in rain.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 6C rising to plus 10 or 11C
**At 800m:** Plus 4 to 6C
**Freezing level:** 800m in early hours, but above the tops by morning

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